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**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

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| In re Application of: | ) |
| Hubertus A. SPAEPEN | ) Group Art Unit: 1754 |
| Application No.: 09/248,392 | ) Examiner: P. Lish |
| CPA Filed: March 19, 2001 | ) Confirmation No.: 8699 |
| For: PRODUCTION OF PRODUCTS CONTAINING PRECIPITATED CALCIUM CARBONATE | ) |

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Sir:

**PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME**

Applicants hereby petition for a one month extension of time to reply to the Final Office Action mailed September 8, 2004. A fee of $120.00 is enclosed.

Please grant any extensions of time required to enter this response and charge any additional required fees to our deposit account no. 06-0916.

Respectfully submitted,

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